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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: SWAPO ON TALKS WITH CONTACT GROUP

1. HAGE GEINGOB, DIRECTOR OF THE NAMIBIA INSTITUTE AND MEMBER OF THE SWAPO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, TOLD THE AMBASSADOR JULY 1 THAT CHANCES WERE GOOD THAT SWAPO WOULD SEND A HIGH LEVEL DELEGATION TO NEW YORK FOR TALKS WITH THE CONTACT GROUP. HE SAID THAT PRESENT TENTATIVE PLANS WERE FOR SWAPO'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO MEET IN LUSAKA PRIOR TO THE NEW YORK MEETING. GEINGOB STRESSED THAT SWAPO'S MAIN CONCERN IN ITS APPROACH TO THE PACKAGE DEVELOPED THUS FAR BY CONTACT GROUP WAS PROMINENT ROLE LEFT TO SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT. SWAPO'S DISTRUST OF VORSTER IS AN OVERIDING CONSIDERATION.

2. GEINGOB SAID THAT SWAPO HAD CONSIDERED ASKING OF THE  
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CONTACT GROUP COULD ARRANGE FOR THE RELEASE OF TOIOVO FROM PRISON TO ATTEND THE NEW YORK MEETING. AFTER DISCUSSION, DECISION HAD BEEN MADE NOT TO MAKE THE REQUEST SINCE IT MIGHT BE "DISRUPTIVE" AND SHOULD BE RAISED IN THE CONTEXT OF THE BROADER QUESTION OF PRISONER EXCHANGE. ASKED IF SWAPO WOULD REALLY WELCOME THE RELEASE OF TOIOVO, HE SAID YES. SWAPO LEADERS ARE DEEPLY DISTRESSED BY THE

CONTINUED CONFINEMENT OF TOIOVO WHO HAD NEVER BEEN INVOLVED IN THE GUERRILLA STRUGGLE WHILE THEY ARE AT LIBERTY AND NEGOTIATING A SETTLEMENT. HE MENTIONED THAT RELEASING TOIOVO, EVEN IF IT WERE JUST FOR THE DURATION OF THE NEW YORK MEETING, WOULD BE A MOST WELCOME DEVELOPMENT.

3. COMMENT: GEINGOB'S CONCERNS ABOUT THE ROLE OF SOUTH AFRICA IN A NAMIBIAN SETTLEMENT WERE OBVIOUSLY SINCERE. HE WAS NOT PRESSING FOR THE RELEASE OF TOIOVO, BUT IT STRIKES US THAT, IF HIS RELEASE COULD BE ARRANGED FOR THE DUMNATION OF THE MEETINGS IN NEW YORK, IT COULD REPRESENT A MAJOR STEP TO OVERCOME SOME OF SWAPO'S SUSPICIONS ABOUT SOUTH AFRICA'S TRUE INTENTIONS.  
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